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1. ALAN GILL, CHIEF, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES DIVISION, DEPT. OF FINANCE, TOLD EMBOFF THAT GOC DELEGATION FOR ADB ANNUAL MEETING IN JAKARTA NOT YET DECIDED. SINCE FINMIN MACDONALD WILL BE IN MIDST OF PREPARATION OF MAY BUDGET, HE WILL PROBABLE NOT HEAD GOC DELEGATION, AND ANOTHER MINISTER TO HEAD DELEGATION HAS NOT YET BEEN NEMED.
2. GILL THOUGHT THAT REPLENISHMENT OF ADF WOULD BE CORE SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION DURING MEETING AND WONDERED WHAT POSITION USG WOULD TAKE. (HE CLAIMED TO HAVE HEARD THAT USG, IF FORCED TO NAME FIGURE FOR OUR REPLENISHMENT, WOULD GIVE \$150 MILLION FIGURE.)
3. GILL DID NOT THINK THAT FUTURE ADB ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA WOULD BE SUBJECT OF CONTROVERSY DURING MEETING, BUT HE EXPECTED SOUTH VIETNAM TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO MEETING AS OBSERVERS. GOC HAD NOT HAKEN POSITION ON SOUTH VIETNAMESE RELATIONSHIP WITH ADB NOR ON ADB FUTURE ACTIVITIES IN THAT COUNTRY.
4. QUESTION OF GENERAL CAPITAL INCREASE FOR ALL MEMBERS OF ADB WOULD PROBABLY SURFACE DURING ANNUAL MEETING, AND GILL SAID THAT DISCUSSIONS ON SUBJECT HAVE ALREADY TAKEN PLACE BY ADB EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS.

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5. CANADA, GILL MAINTAINED, WAS STILL INTERESTED IN EXPANSION OF BOARD TO INCLUDE CANADA AS PERMANENT REP BUT HE KNEW PRESENT PERM REPS WERE NOT IN FAVOR. AS FALL-BACK POSITION, CANADA MIGHT ACCEPT ALTERNATE PERM REP POSITION IN SMALLER GROUP THAN THAT WITH WHICH IT PRESENTLY ASSOCIATED. GILL THOUGHT THAT PERHAPS GOC COULD ALTERNATE WITH DUTCH, AND NORDIC COUNTRIES WHICH PRESENTLY FORM GROUP WITH DUTCH AND CANADA COULD BECOME SEPARATE REPRESENTATIVE GROUP.

6. EMBOFF ASKED IF CNADA'S PROPOSED CAPITAL INCREASE (SEE REFTEL B) WAS PART OF GOC DESIRE FOR ADB BOARD EXPANSION. GIL CLAIMED THAT OVERALL GOC AID STRATEGY DICTATED PROPOSED CAPITAL INCREASE. AS PART OF GOC NEW AID STRATEGY ANNOUNCED BY EXTAFF MINISTER MACEACHEN LAST SEPTEMBER (SEE OTTAWA A-594 OF SEPT. 10, 1975), CANADA WAS TO INCREASE ITS AID, BOTH BILATERALLY AND MULTILATERALLY, TO AFRICA AND ASIA. IN THIS CONNECTION, GOC HAS INCREASED ITS CONTRIBUTION TO AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AND ALSO IS PROPOSING CAPITAL INCREASE TO ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK.

7. CANADA'S PROPOSED INCREASE IN ADB CAPITAL STOCK SUBSCRIPTION WAS NOT ENTIRELY ALTRUISTIC, GILL ADMITTED. CANADA, HE SAID, WAS TRYING TO OBTAIN AT LEAST ALTERNATE REPRESENTATION ON ADB BOARD AT ALL TIMES. WITH NEW CAPITAL STOCK SHARES, CANADA WILL NOW HAVE ABOUT 50 PERCENT OF SHARES OF GROUP IN WHICH IT IS NOW ASSOCIATED (I.E., DUTCH AND NORDICS) AND THUS SHOULD ASSURE ITS POSITION AS ALTERNATE REP.

8. THERE WAS COMMERCIAL ASPECT OF INCREASED CANADIAN CAPITAL STOCK PROPOSAL SINCE CANADA WANTED TO SHOW ITS INCREASED INTEREST IN PACIFIC RIM COUNTRIES. AS PART OF GOC "THIRD OPTION" FOREIGN AND COMMERCIAL POLICY, CANADA WANTED TO DEMONSTRATE ITS COMMERCIAL INTERESTS IN THIS GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, GILL EXPLAINED.

9. GIL ASKED WHAT WAS STATUS OF CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON ADB REPLENISHMENT, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING REPORT FOR TRANSMITTAL TO GOC ON WHERE
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